**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE**
**AT BOMBAY**
**APPELLATE CIVIL JURISDICTION**

**CIVIL APPLICATION NO.42 OF 2003**
**IN**
**LETTERS PATENT APPEAL(ST) NO.16552 OF 2002**
**IN**
**WRIT PETITION NO.5256 OF 1998**

The Director of Agriculture & Anr. ...Applicants
Vs.
Chandrakant R. Jadhav ...Respondent

Mr.N.P.Deshpande , A.G.P for Applicants
None for Respondent

**CORAM: SHRI J.N.PATEL &**
**SMT. ROSHAN DALVI, JJ.**
**DATED: 4TH APRIL, 2007**

**P.C.**

1. Heard.

2. This is an application for condonation of delay filed by the State in LPA. The reasons given in the application are of procedural and administrative difficulties, though this does not appear to be a good and sufficient reason, but in order to give a fair opportunity to appellants we are inclined to condone the delay, subject to cost of Rs.3000/- . We make it

clear that the State shall recover the costs from the Officers who are found to be negligent in prosecuting the matters.

3. Costs to be deposited in this Court within 2 weeks. On such costs being deposited, the same be credited in the Account of Maharashtra State Legal Services Authority, High Court, Bombay.

**(SMT.ROSHAN DALVI, J.) (SHRI.J.N.PATEL, J.)**